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Dear Sir

Since my last we have receiv'd no communication from Mr. Rush, on the subject of Mr. Cannings proposition. From our chargé des affrs in France a letter has been recently recd. by which it appears that the British ambassador there, had intimated to the French minister of foreign affairs the desire & expectation of his govt. that no measure should be decided on, by the allied powers, without a consultation with the govt of the UStates, & to which a reply was given

that none would be adopted, without a due consultation, which Mr. Sheldon understood as excluding us from an congress or other meeting that might take place between them with a view to that object. The fact however that the British govt. has made such an intimation being in accord with a suggestion or Mr. Canning to Mr. Rush, tends to strengthen the presumption that that govt. will oppose any measures having for their object the subjugation of the new govts. to the South. We may daily expect farther intelligence on the subject, which I will communicate

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to you as soon as received.

I shall forward the views of Mr. O. Flaherty & Col. Roane by communicating to you the enclosed papers by which it appears, that the former seeks employment in our university, & that the latter thinks highly of his qualifications, especially by his knowledge of the antient languages.

Very respectfully & sincerely your friend James Monroe

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